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Tum variæ illudunt peſtes: *Sæpe* exiguus mus;
Aut oculis capti *fodere cubilia* talpæ;
Inventuſque cavis bufo, *& quæ plurima terræ*
Monſtra *ferunt*. Virg. Georg. I.

Continuation of the Letter concerning the Vicar of Dewſbury.

HE tells us (p. 2.) that *all the pious frauds of the Papiſts were* confeſſedly *calculated to aggrandize the Prieſthood*. How *confeſſedly?* What, by the confeſſion of the Papiſts themſelves? *We* ſay ſo indeed, and very truly, but *they* don't: and the word *confeſſedly* was ever, 'till now, intended to imply a *conceſſion* from a perſon owning, and granting ſomething to his *Adverſary*. I only mention this, to ſhew his extreme ignorance in *common language*; tho', *I confeſs*, 'tis nothing in compariſon of his greater ignorance in *all points* relating to the *Subject* he *endeavours* to handle. Or will he ſay that he means his *confeſſedly* with reference to us Church of *England* men; as if *we* contended for the ſame eccleſiaſtical power as the *Papiſts* do, yet acknowledging their pious frauds, &c? If he does ſay ſo; 'tis a *ſcandalous calumny*, and a *ſottiſh begging of the queſtion*, into the bargain. What he further throws out concerning Papiſts, Pagans, Mahometans, and Jews (p. 2, 3.) is moſt impertinent. Does it follow, that, becauſe there are *falſe* claims, pretenſions, and doctrines, therefore there are *no true* ones? But this is freſh *cant*; exactly of a piece with that of our wonderfully enlighten'd *modern infidels*, in their declamations againſt *Chriſtianity*. Becauſe there have been *counterfeit* miracles and inſpirations, therefore never any *real* ones; becauſe *ſome* books are *ſpurious*, therefore the *Bible* is ſo. When he affirms (p. 4.) that *God's word is ſufficient without other helps*, &c. what does he mean? If *without Miniſters* to *expound* and *inſtruct*; 'tis both *falſe*, and *contradictory* to what he *himſelf* grants, p. 7, 8: if *without other religions*, as by what follows he ſeems to mean; 'tis *true* indeed, but exceeding *impertinent:* for who among us denies it? Did he ever hear, that the Church of *England* was for any Religion but that contain'd in the Old and New Teſtament? He talks much here in favour of the Scriptures; aſſerting the *ſufficiency* of them, which no body among us, again, ever deny'd: but does not the Scripture command us to *obey them who have the rule over us*, becauſe *they watch for our ſouls?* How then comes he, in defiance of Scripture, for which he pretends ſo much reverence, to oppoſe the *authority* of all *Church-Governors?*

P. 6. *There are too many* ſpeaking of the Church of *England* Clergy) *haughty and enthuſiaſtic men, who call themſelves, and thoſe of their Order, the* SPIRITUAL PRINCES OF THE EARTH. He means the *Biſhops*, who it ſeems are *haughty* and *enthuſiaſtic* men. Very *modeſt* and *mannerly*; not to ſay *dutiful*. But this, to be ſure, is not *calling names:* becauſe 'tis only all the Biſhops of *England* who are ſo nam'd; and the great BOWMAN, Vicar of *Dewsbury* who ſo names them. That they *call themſelves* Spiritual Princes, I never heard: they may *by others* perhaps have been call'd *Spiritual Princes*, or *Princes of the Church:* and where's the mighty harm of it? But do the Biſhops of *England wreſt the prerogative of God out of his ſacred hands; juſtle Omnipotence out of the world, and ſubſtitute themſelves in its place; making void the commandments of God by their traditions?* He ſays they do; and I ſay 'tis a malicious, ſtupid, impudent LYE: all the world *knows* it to be a *Lye*. His aſſertion, his *bare* aſſertion is *capable* of no other *anſwer*, in *ſenſe*; and *ought to* have no other, in *expreſſion*. Much might be obſerv'd here, to expoſe his ignorance about the word *traditions*; and to ſhew that he does not underſtand the *meaning* of *his text:* but I wave that, and many other circumſtances, having ſomething elſe to do with my time, than to be formal and particular upon ſuch a rhapſody of folly and falſhood as this is. He is graciouſly pleaſed to acknowledge *that there muſt be ſome to preach and expound the word of God, as long as there is a church and a religion*, p. 7. This indeed is very *condeſcending*; but not ſo *conſiſtent* with the main tenor of his doctrine. For it ſeems there muſt be a *Miniſtry* (he himſelf owning, p. 8. that theſe *Preachers* muſt be *ſent) as long as there is a Church and a Religion:* and this is ſaid upon ſuppoſition, that a Church and Religion are *good things enough*, at leaſt *tolerable*. But as he afterwards aſks queſtions, *How ſhall they hear without a Preacher?* And, *How ſhall they preach except they be ſent?* So here I aſk, How ſhall there be a *Church*, and *Miniſters*, and *Religion* itſelf, without *Church authority* and *Church-Governors?* To *deſtroy* which is the *deſign* of this unparallell'd *Libel*. He ſays, p. 8. that theſe Preachers *muſt reprove, rebuke, exhort with all* LONG SUFFERING AND DOCTRINE. But did he never hear of the ſame Apoſtle's command; *Exhort, and rebuke with* ALL AUTHORITY? Had he not ſhamefully prevaricated, he would have cited this paſſage, as well as the other. But he avoided it; becauſe he *did not know* but it might *look like* an argument againſt him. He is likewiſe pleaſed to acknowledge, that SOME KIND *of miſſion is abſolutely neceſſary*. p. 8. Ay; but WHAT *kind* of *miſſion?* Epiſcopal miſſion, he is poſitive, is not *neceſſary*, nor deſign'd to be *perpetual*; yet he owns it to be *Apoſtolical*. Can there be any *kind of miſſion*, but what is deriv'd from the Apoſtles? *Epiſcopal*, he owns, is ſo deriv'd: and he does not ſo much as pretend, that *any other* is. *What kind* of miſſion then (according to him) can a man have but Epiſcopal? A fine medley this of *truth, falſhood*, and *ſelf-contradiction*.

P. 9. *From this Apoſtolical Inſtitution our Clergy, deſirous to perſuade the world that they have ſomething in them of ſo divine a nature, as in an eſpecial manner diſtinguiſhes them from the reſt of mankind*, &c. Why *have* they not ſome ſuch thing? He himſelf grants, that Epiſcopacy is of Apoſtolical inſtitution: and where is the great difference between an *Apoſtolical* inſtitution, and a *Divine* one? Some learned Writers indeed have rather choſen the word *Apoſtolical*, than *Divine*; becauſe the [illegible]er is more ſubject to fooliſh cavils: but they acknowledge, that the thing is, in effect, the ſame. The common diſtinction of *proximè* and *remotè*, or *mediately* and *immediately*, adjuſts the whole matter. See the moſt pious, judicious, and acute Bp. SANDERSON's Treatiſe entitled *Epiſcopacy, as eſtabliſhed by Law in* England, *not prejudicial to Regal Power:* in which, tho' he chuſes the word *Apoſtolical*, he declares he means by it, in effect, the ſame as *Divine*; and gives unanſwerable reaſons to juſtify the latter way of ſpeaking.—But our *Vicar* goes on. *From this Apoſtolical inſtitution*, &c. *our Clergy draw this pleaſant inference in favour of themſelves*; viz. *that Epiſcopal ordination is eſſential to the Church of Chriſt*, &c. Well; and why, I pray, is this ſo *pleaſant* an inference? *Divine* and *Apoſtolical* have been conſidered already. And did not the Apoſtles, by your own confeſſion, inſtitute *Epiſcopal* ordination? And did they inſtitute *any other?* You *yourſelf* don't ſo much as *pretend* they did. Where then is the mighty *pleaſantneſs* of this inference? But of this curious arguing more immediately. At preſent I refer to thoſe many learned Authors, who have prov'd to a demonſtration, that Epiſcopacy is *neceſſary* to the *well-being* at leaſt, if not to the *being* of a Church; *eſſential* to a Church in the *ſtricteſt ſenſe*, to a Church *moſt properly* ſo called; and that thoſe, which *want* it, are not ſo *perfect* as thoſe which *have* it. I might perhaps with truth add more, but I forbear.—*And conſequently* (continues he) *that there are no true Churches upon earth, but thoſe of* England *and* Rome? *England* and *Rome* ſeem to be here coupled together, for the ſake of ſcandal upon the former. But to let that paſs: are there no Churches that have Epiſcopacy, but thoſe of *England* and *Rome?* Did he never hear of the *Greek* or *Eaſtern* Churches? 'Tis plain he never did, or knows not what they are. —But he proceeds, *Whether theſe tenets be conſiſtent with Chriſtian charity, that charity which believeth all things*, &c. p. 10. *Cant* again, dull, ſpiteful *cant*; flung out upon all occaſions againſt the Church of *England*, the moſt *charitable* Church in the world. *That charity which judgeth not, leſt it be judg'd.* ib. For a *man not* to judge, &c. is very good ſenſe: but thoſe words, *Charity that judgeth not*, LEST IT BE JUDGED, I take to be *nonſenſe*; and I mention them for no other reaſon. *Charity* here muſt mean the *charitable perſon* as *ſuch:* and how he can be *judg'd*, i. e. *condemn'd*, I underſtand not. But, Mr. BAVIUS, I beg pardon; I ſhould never have done, were I to remark upon all theſe *trifles* of his *ignorance* and *ſtupidity*.

That Epiſcopal ordination was inſtituted by the Apoſtles, he grants; but denies, *that it was inſtituted for a* POSITIVE (as he ſtrangely and illiterately ſpeaks) *and perpetual ordination*. ibid. Now I always apprehended (and ſo I believe does every body in his wits) that *an inſtitution* muſt *of courſe* be underſtood, as intended for *perpetuity* and *univerſality*; unleſs the *nature of the thing* ſhews the *contrary*; or in the inſtitution itſelf, there be ſome *proviſo* to the *contrary*; ſome *ſpecification* of *time* and *place*, to *limit* and *determine* it. Thus it is in all Laws, humane and divine; as is well known to all who know any thing of theſe matters.

But now for *his Arguments*, back'd and fortify'd with a THUS *have I prov'd*, and THUS *it is manifeſt* &c. Pray, obſerve 'em carefully. *Whatever is inſtituted by the Apoſtles*, as perpetual and neceſſary, muſt not *be obſcur'd in darkneſs and ambiguities:* this *is inconſiſtent with the goodneſs of God —— who cannot but make every thing that concerns the everlaſting happineſs of our ſouls clear, obvious, and indiſputable.* p. 11. CANT, once more; *ſtale, ſtanding cant*; borrow'd from the *half-witted Infidels* of theſe times, and perpetually employ'd againſt the *Chriſtian Religion*. —— *Clear* and *obvious?* To *whom?* Are all underſtandings *alike?* Not but that the aſſertion is *ridiculouſly falſe* with reſpect to *all*. How do they PROVE, that God in his goodneſs muſt make *every thing* that concerns our Salvation ſo *very plain?* Why, here is no appearance of *proof*; 'tis ſaid, and that's all. The contrary is much more agreeable to right reaſon. God is infinitely *wiſe* and *juſt*, as well as *good*; and it was not *fit*, that he ſhould make all *things* that concern our Salvation *ſo very plain* at firſt ſight, and to all capacities; no, nor to *any* capacity; but that ſomething ſhould be left to our *own labour, ſtudy*, and *diligence*, and to the *inſtruction* of thoſe whom God has appointed to be his *Miniſters*. This man himſelf acknowledges, that there muſt be ſuch Miniſters to *expound* the Scriptures. Why then muſt *every thing* that concerns Salvation be ſo *very plain?* But 'tis endleſs to take notice of all his contradictions and other abſurdities; tho' contain'd in a Pamphlet, which may be deliberately read over in half an hour.

Yet, we are told by him, that theſe points muſt be not only *clear* and *obvious*, but INDISPUTABLE. Nay then farewell all religion indeed. For nothing can be *indiſputable* in *ſuch times* as *theſe*; when there are ſo many *captious, pragmatical* Dunces, who without the leaſt knowledge in the *laws* of *diſputing*, will take upon them to *diſpute* the *ſun* out of the *firmament*, and *themſelves* (if they ever had any) out of *common ſenſe*.

How great an honour ſoever I may have for *the modern Diſſenters in* England, (as doubtleſs I ought to honour them very greatly) for *the reform'd Churches abroad*, and above all, for the renown'd, illuſtrious *Church* (or *Kirk*) of SCOTLAND; I humbly beg leave to ſay, that their rejecting Epiſcopacy is not an *inconteſtable evidence* (as our Author ſays it is) that the *perpetuity* and *univerſality* of Epiſcopacy, is not *clear* and *obvious*. There are many, ſome even here in *England*, who reject *Chriſtianity* itſelf. Now, that the truth of Chriſtianity is *clear* and *obvious*, will this *Diſputer* of DEWSBURY *acknowledge?* or will he *not?* If the firſt; then, it ſeems, a thing's being rejected by many is no proof, that it's truth is not clear and obvious: If the laſt; then God is not obliged by his goodneſs to make every thing clear and obvious, that concerns ſalvation: for that the Chriſtian religion does ſomewhat concern it, I hope our Vicar will not deny; becauſe he *as yet* profeſſes himſelf to be a Chriſtian.

'Tis indeed a reaſonable inference (ſays he, p. 12.) *that becauſe the Apoſtles inſtituted this ordinance, and the primitive Church rigorouſly obſerv'd it, and conſequently that* AT THAT *time it was the beſt*, &c. *therefore* CIRCUMSTANCES REMAINING THE SAME, *that is, as long as it continues the beſt apparent Inſtitution, it ought to be inviolably and religiouſly maintain'd.* Well; and *when* did the *circumſtances alter?* Why is it not *ſtill* the *beſt apparent Inſtitution?* Afterwards; *But to ſay, that becauſe*, &c. *therefore that ordinance is to be obſerv'd, even when circumſtances are ſuch, that 'tis the worſt and moſt detrimental ordinance the Church can have*, ibid. &c. Very well again: But *when* was it, or *where* is it *the worſt, and moſt detrimental*, &c? Not a word of *theſe matters*, upon which *all turns:* and this is *proof* and *argument*.—He goes on, *And as certainly as the tempers of all men and times are not the ſame; ſo certainly could not the Apoſtles deſign, that an inſtitution* ADAPTED TO PARTICULAR *times and tempers*, &c. ibid. But how do you *prove*, that it was *ſo adapted?* Why, he *ſays* it; and THUS *has he prov'd it*. Or did he *mean* an argument in thoſe words, *As certainly as the tempers —— are not the ſame?* If ſo, it ſtands thus, and he is obliged to me for making it *look* like an argument. Becauſe all tempers and times are not the ſame; therefore the Apoſtles could not deſign Epiſcopacy to be perpetual and univerſal, but adapted, as aforeſaid. This argument is worſe than [illegible] at all; and will prove as ſtrongly againſt the perpetuity of any *Act of Parliament* in *England*, generally and indeterminately worded, as againſt the perpetuity of Epiſco-

pacy. Take, for example, the *Act of Uniformity*; becauſe it has a relation to our preſent ſubject. It is enacted, that the Liturgy ſhall *be us'd*, &c. not a word of *for ever*. Yet was not the Act intended to be *perpetual*; notwithſtanding the *variety* of *times* and *tempers?*

What he talks, p. 13, 14, 20, 21, 22, 23, 10, 19. about the *powers* of the *Church*, as compar'd with the *State*, here in *England*; as alſo about *excommunication* and *abſolution*, p. 23, 24, &c. could iſſue from nothing but the *profoundeſt ignorance* of the *Conſtitution* of *England*; of our *Laws* in the *State*; of our *Canons* and *Articles* in the *Church*. By vertue of which ignorance, he *gives* to the *State* powers which ſhe never *claim'd*; and *charges* upon the *Church* uſurpations and encroachments which ſhe abſolutely *diſclaims*: ſuch as *entire independence*, *unconditional abſolution*, and ſo forth. Every body that is at all vers'd in theſe matters, knows her doctrine about the *King's ſupremacy* in cauſes Eccleſiaſtical, and how it has been *explain'd* and *vindicated* by her learned Divines; how far, and in what reſpects (according to *her* and *them*) the Church is, and is not *independent*; what is the difference between powers *purely ſpiritual*, *political*, and *mix'd*: How all theſe points have been largely diſcuſs'd; on the one hand, againſt *Papiſts*, who accuſe our Church of having *betray'd*, and *given up* her *ſpiritual rights* and *authority*; on the other hand, againſt TINDAL, and his creatures (of whom this BOWMAN is one) who would fain perſuade mankind, that ſhe *has*, and *ought to have*, *no rights* or *authority* at all. See, among innumerable others, Biſhop SANDERSON's Treatiſe abovemention'd; HEYLIN's *Reformation juſtify'd*; BRAMHALL and HAMMOND againſt Popery, &c.

P. 15, 16, &c. *He knows no requiſite for the work of the Miniſtry, but piety and learning.* —— *And does ignorance or immorality flee at the Biſhop's approach?* No, I'll be ſworn: He himſelf is a proof of the contrary. For he can *be* an argument, tho' he can't *make* one. He is copious in *telling us*, that Ordination does not confer *extraordinary helps and aſſiſtances*. Who ever ſaid it did? He himſelf diſtinguiſhes between the *ordinary* and *extraordinary* gifts: Ordination confers a *commiſſion*; which is enough to juſtify thoſe words, *Receive the Holy Ghoſt* [*over which*, ſays the Scripture, *the Holy Ghoſt hath made you overſeers*,] but no body pretends that it confers *inſpiration*. Thus for the *Ordainer*: then for the *Ordained*; he aſks, *Do any of us feel any other motions of the ſpirit, than a ſerious and devout thoughtfulneſs*, &c? Yes; a little more: A particular *inclination* to, and *deſire* of, that holy employment; a *dedicating* and *devoting* ourſelves *chiefly* to thoſe ſtudies. This is, or ought to be, the temper of every man's ſoul, who anſwers that queſtion, *Do you think, that you are mov'd by the Holy Ghoſt?* A motion ſtill *ordinary*, not *extraordinary*; at leaſt as far as we know. His ſtrange uſe of the word *Oeconomy*, p. 17. I paſs over; tho' it betrays great *illiterateneſs*. The anſwer he gives, p. 18. to his two quotations from the Fathers proceeds upon his old *precarious aſſertion*, that Epiſcopacy was at *that time*, &c. but not *for perpetuity*. So I only take notice, that in one of them, a *Greek* one, he *quotes* a ſentence which he could not *conſtrue*: tho' the *Latin tranſlation* might have help'd him, could he have conſtrued even *that*. Τῶν ἀνηκόντων εἰς τὴν ἐκκλησίαν does not ſignify *convenient for the Church*, but *belonging to the Church*.—He ſays p. 22. *that a ſanction of rewards and puniſhments is eſſential to every law.* 1ſt, The *ſanction* is not eſſential to the law: it *enforces* it, but does not *conſtitute* it: and there may be a law without *any* ſanction. I appeal to all learned Civilians, &c. 2dly, Not one *human law* in a hundred has *any* ſanction of *rewards*: ſo that (according to this doctrine) almoſt all *human* laws are *no* laws. His affirming (ibid.) *that all laws whatſoever are* ONLY *about ſpiritual and everlaſting good*, I know not how *to anſwer*; but by *quoting* it. Much the ſame may be anſwer'd to his affirming, that *it appears from the procedure of all our Eccleſiaſtical Courts, that the Clergy have no authority, but what they derive from the Civil Power*. The reaſon, I ſuppoſe, is, becauſe thoſe Courts are held by the authority of the *Biſhops*; and becauſe in their *acts* and *proceſſes* the *King's ſeal* is never uſed, nor his *name* ſo much as mention'd. See *Sanderſon* as before.

I am ſenſible, Mr. BAVIUS, that I have been tedious; and yet I have omitted ſeveral groſs *falſhoods* and *blunders*: there being indeed ſcarce a ſentence without one. And now, Sir, have I not PROV'D this man to be very *wicked*, *ignorant*, and *impudent?* But we are admoniſh'd, we muſt not *call names*. I have ſaid ſomething upon this ſubject already, I mean in the former part of my Letter, printed in your laſt Journal but one: the reſt I defer 'till the Publication of my elaborate and learned Diſcourſe upon *calling names*, in a large volume in *folio*. At preſent, tho' far be it from me (as I am exceeding zealous for *good breeding*) to call Mr. BOWMAN any names, yet I cannot forbear ſubjoining a few verſes; which I remember to have heard ſeveral years ſince, and that upon a *Sermon*; the ſubject of which too was very nearly akin to *this*, and preached and printed by one who ſhall be nameleſs, becauſe he is *dead*. Others had gone about to prove, that the *Church* has no power *at all*; and he, reſolving to go beyond them, would ſhew, that the *State* likewiſe has none *in matters of Religion*. The lines are theſe: and Mr. BOWMAN, and your Readers may make what uſe of them they think fit.

No right, or pow'r on earth, thou ſay'ſt, is giv'n,
To puniſh vice, and guard the laws of heav'n.
This villain doctrine, and the ſacred page,
Wreſted by thee, provoke our pious rage.
Wretch! What, we cry, could move thee to declare,
Againſt *mankind* and GOD, this *monſtrous war?*
But when we view thy ign'rant impudence,
Thy aukward, dull, unletter'd want of ſenſe;
Thy idiot reaſonings, and thy blund'ring vein;
Our anger ceaſes, all is calm again:
With pity we regard the worthleſs tool;
And *ſpare* the ROGUE, becauſe we *ſcorn* the FOOL.

DOMESTIC NEWS.

C. *Courant.* | E P. *Evening Poſt.*
P. *Poſt-Boy.* | S J. *S. James's Evening Poſt.*
D P. *Daily Poſt.* | WE. *Whitehall Evening P.*
D J. *Daily Journal.* | LE. *London Evening Poſt.*

THURSDAY, *Aug.* 26.

We hear, that Lee and Harper will continue playing the diverting Entertainment of Guy, Earl of Warwick, that has given ſuch an univerſal ſatisfaction to the Town, 'till tueſday the 7th of September, and no longer.

Laſt monday the Marq. du Queſne's eldeſt ſon, a youth about 14, had the honour to preſent the Queen at Hampton-court, with a poem on her Majeſty. —— Yeſterday the King, Queen, the Duke, the Princeſſes Royal, Emilia, [Amelia] and Mary, hunted a ſtag in Richmond New Park, the Princeſs Caroline being left at Court with the Prince of Wales. A ſtag ſtarted upon the Princeſs Emilia's horſe, which threw her, but ſhe received no hurt. The Hon. Mr. Fitz-Williams, Page of honour to his Majeſty, fell with his horſe in a Coney-burrough [*a vaſt large one certainly.*] Her Majeſty and the Princeſs Mary, in the chaiſe, came in at the death of the ſtag, who ran about 2 hours. —— Tueſday night the Prince ſlept but indifferently; he has been twice blooded; and the Queen, or one of the Princeſſes, are [is] conſtantly with him. *D P.* —— His Majeſty has been pleaſed to grant his warrant to the R. Hon. the Lord Harrington, Col. of a regiment in Ireland, to exempt him from paying 4s. in the pound tax out of his ſalary in the ſaid regiment; and yeſterday the warrant paſſed the Treaſury. *P. D J.*

Yeſterday the Court of Directors of the Hon. Eaſt India Company proceeded to ſtation the ſhips taken into their ſervice for the enſuing year. *C. D P.* The 15 ſhips. *D J.*

The ſufferers at Blandford have received 100 guineas from York; and 100 l. from Mrs. Long, of Golden-ſquare, London. *D J.* — We are aſſured, that his Grace the Archbiſhop of Canterbury has actually given to the ſaid ſufferers 120 l. *D P.*

On tueſday, about 1 o' clock at noon died, after a ſhort illneſs at Oxford, the R. Hon. the Marq. of Blandford, only Son of the R. Hon. the E. of Godolphin, and Grandſon of his Grace the late D. of Marlborough. *C.* At 12. *P. D J.* The honour and title deſcend to the R. Hon. the E. of Sunderland. *P* ——— An eſtate of 75,000 l. per ann. falls to him, one third of which is exempt from all manner of taxes. *D P.* 28.

The Apollo, belonging to the Oſtend Company, came through the ſtreights of Malacca, where lay 5 Dutch ſhips to intercept her paſſage, who fired at her; but the Oſtender bearing away, with the favour of a fair wind, got ſafe through the ſtreights, and is now put into Ireland. *D P.*

Yeſterday a Bill of indictment was found againſt Will. Rayner, for printing and publiſhing a ſeditious libel. *C.*—The Libel and picture intitled *Robin's Game*, or *Seven's the main. S J. W E.*

They write from Cambridge, that the famous Dr. B**, apprehending that the B—— of E—— was about to viſit him and his College, gave his Lordſhip notice, that he would move for another Prohibition in the Court of Chancery; but this motion was never made, for what reaſon is not certainly known: the Dr. applying for the ſame thing by petition to his Majeſty, that petition, [we are informed,] was by order of Council referred to the Attorney and Sollicitor-General, who made their report, that ſuch application was unprecedented and irregular; ſo that it is expected that the B—— will, without farther delay, do juſtice to the College, and the Doctor. *E P.*

Glouceſter, Aug. 21. A Gentleman and his ſervant came to the Chriſtopher Inn at Bath, and delivered their piſtols to the Drawer, to take care of them: accordingly he put them in a back room, and lock'd the door, leaving the key in a particular place. Not long after this, the lanlady's ſon, a boy of about 6 years of age, went up ſtairs with 2 or 3 of his Playfellows, and finding the key, unlock'd the door of the ſaid room, and took each a piſtol in his hand, which one of them preſented at the Lanlady's ſon, and ſhot him in the belly, ſo that he died in a few hours after. *S J.*

FRIDAY, *Aug.* 27.

His Royal Highneſs the Prince is much recover'd, his fever being brought to a regular intermiſſion, *C.* ——. We hear he has been adviſed to cut off his hair. *C.* 24. ——— *I wiſh my Brother had informed us, whether* his Highneſs *took* the advice.

Yeſterday the Parliament met at Weſtminſter, when the R. Hon. the Lord Chancellor further prorogued them to tueſday Nov. 9. *C.* &c.

The Lords of the Treaſury have lately granted an order for the paying to the Treaſurer of his Majeſty's navy, the ſum of 64,230 l. 11 s. 2 d. for diſcharging his Majeſty's ſhips which are order'd to be paid off. *P. D J.* 64,000 l. 11 s. 2 d. ½. *D P.* ——We are credibly inform'd, that 5 men of war are put out of commiſſion, and that 15 more will ſpeedily, ſome be reduced to guard-ſhips, and others put out of commiſſion. *D J.*

On monday night laſt, about 11 o' clock, the Rev. Mr. Orator Henley was attacked by 2 ſtreet-robbers, but he made ſo brave a defence, that the rogues thought fit to make off. *D J.* — *At the requeſt of my Brother* Conundrum, *I ſubjoin the two following lines:*

Illiterate rogues! *who thus* attack'd *th'* Orator:
Cantab it *vacuus coram latrone viator.*

SATURDAY, *Aug.* 28.

His Royal Highneſs the Prince is (we hear) very well recover'd of his late indiſpoſition. *P.* ——— Yeſterday a Meſſenger was ſent to Sir Hans Sloane, to attend his Royal Highneſs that day, who 'till then had been attended by Dr. Teſſier only. *D P.*

His Majeſty having lately been pleaſed to appoint Rob. Bing, Eſq; to be one of the Commiſſioners of the Navy, the Hon. Pattee Bing, Eſq; Treaſurer of the Navy, has appointed Will. Corbet, Eſq; Caſhier of the Navy, and Edw. Bing, Eſq; to be Pay-maſter. *P. D J.*

On ſunday laſt a Commiſſion of Lunacy was ſealed againſt a noble Peer of this realm. *P.*

Yeſterday at a Veſtry at S. Margaret's Weſtm. it was ordered, that the 232 l. 6s. 6d. collected for the poor ſufferers at Blandford and Tiverton, ſhould be proportion'd as follows, viz. to Blandford 147 l. 6 s. 6 d. and to Tiverton 85 l. agreeable to the eſtimates tranſmitted from thoſe places; that of Blandford amounting to upwards of 100,000 l. and that of Tiverton to upward of 56,000 l. *D J.*

On wedneſday 2 Gentlemen riding together to Bedford races, in paſſing through Sunagain-lane, and contending about the goodneſs of their horſes, ſet a galloping, the foremoſt horſe, viz. Mr. Winegar William's flung his rider, who was kill'd by the fall; the other coming cloſe after him, fell over his horſe and broke his arm. *D P.*

On wedneſday laſt as a ſand cart was paſſing the Turnpike at Kent-ſtreet end, Southwark, it was met by a coach, in the paſſage thro' the gate, and rubbing againſt the coach a Gentleman in it jumpt out, drew his ſword, and wounded the driver in ſeveral parts of his body, then got into his coach and drove furiouſly away. without being known who he was. The poor man was juſt able to drive home his cart, and coming into the yard, laid himſelf down and died. *S J.*

The Lady of the late Marquiſs of Blandford is greatly indiſpoſed at her ſeat near Windſor. And we hear the Corpſe of her huſband will be interr'd at Blenheim. *Ibid.*

A marriage is treating between the Lord John Ruſſel, brother to his Grace the D. of Bedford, and the Lady Diana Spencer, ſiſter to the R. Hon. the Marqueſs of Blandford. *L E.*

Mr. Bence having declined ſtanding a Candidate for Alborough in Suffolk, in the room of Mr. Lowe, deceas'd, George Fox, Eſq; who marry'd the Lady Harriot Benſon, ſole heireſs of the late L. Bingley, ſtands a Candidate in his room; and 'tis ſaid he will be oppoſed by Mr. Hanbury, brother in law to Mr. Plomer. *Ibid.*

MONDAY, *Aug.* 30.

On thurſday laſt the D. of Newcaſtle ſet out for Dover, to meet his Dutcheſs, who was to land there from the Spaw; and on ſaturday night they both arrived at their houſe in Lincoln's-inn fields. *D P.* The Duke came to Town from Claremont, to meet her Grace at his houſe in Lincoln's-inn-fields. *D J.*

Yeſterday her Grace the junior Dutcheſs of Marlborough, with her daughter, the Lady Mary Godolphin, came from Richmond, and dined with Dr. Holland at his houſe in Pall-Mall. *C.*

The beginning of laſt week 2 Powder-mills blew up ſuddenly at Waltham-Abbey, which very much alarmed the neighbours, but did no other damage. *C.*

On friday night a Gentleman's ſon in Staples-inn, having a piſtol in his hand, and a girl going by with a child in her arms, the piſtol went off and broke the girl's jaw, and put out one of her eyes; but the child received no damage. *D P. D J.* A Gentleman's ſervant meeting her. *C.*

On ſaturday about 4 in the afternoon, died at his houſe in Downing-ſtreet, Weſtm. after a ſhort illneſs, the R. Hon. Cha. Boyle, E. of Orrery, and Baron of Broghill in the kingdom of Ireland, likewiſe Baron Boyle of Marſton in the County of Somerſet, ſo created by Queen Anne, Sept. 10, 1711. He was one of the Knights Brethren of the moſt ancient and moſt noble order of the Thiſtle, Lieut. Gen. of his Majeſty's forces, Fellow of the Royal Society, and one of his Majeſty's moſt Hon. Privy-Council. He was by Queen Anne ſent Envoy Extraord. to the States of Brabant and Flanders; and in the firſt year of the late King, was one of the Gentlemen of his Majeſty's Bedchamber, and L. Lieut. of the County of Somerſet. His Lordſhip married the Lady Eliz. Cecil, Daughter to John E. of Exeter, by whom he had iſſue one ſon, now E. of Orrery, &c. who marrying the Lady Henrietta Hamilton, youngeſt Daughter to Geo. E. of Orkney, hath had iſſue by her ſeveral children. The deceaſed Earl devoted the early part of his life to the ſtudy of natural philoſophy, in which he became ſo great a proficient, that he invented that uſeful machine, called the Orrery, now in ſuch reputation at ſea amongſt mariners. *D P.* —— *I am told it was invented by Mr.* Rowley.

The ſame day died Mr. Ric. Blackmore, Gentleman of his Majeſty's Ewry, and Yeoman of the Almonry. *D J.* He was Maſter of the Ewry, one of the Yeomen of the Guards, one of the Harbingers, and alſo Groom of the Almonry. *P. D P.*

TUESDAY, *Aug.* 31.

His Majeſty being ſlightly indiſpoſed with a cold in one of his eyes, was not at Chappel on ſunday, on which occaſion the Royal Family did not dine in publick. *C.*

We hear that the Marchioneſs Dowager of Blandford is 3 months gone with child. And that the Hon. John Spencer, Eſq; will be ſet up as Candidate for the Borough of Woodſtock. *D P.*

Yeſterday Mr. Lilly, who keeps the Bull and Garter near the Fleet, ran a horſe and chaiſe againſt a horſe and chaiſe of Mr. Beaumont's of Eaton, from Windſor to Hyde-Park corner, for 40l. which was won by the former. *D J. D P. P.*

Lewes, Aug. 26. On ſaturday the 21ſt inſtant, as ſome Smugglers were running a large quantity of Brandy at Newhaven, ſome Cuſtom-houſe Officers ſeized it, and carry'd it thither; but the Smugglers being joined by another party, a battle enſued, and the Smugglers carry'd off the Brandy, and made their eſcape. Two highwaymen were taken on friday laſt on South-Downs, and committed to Horſham goal, for robbing Mr. Shephard a Farmer, on the ſaid Downs, on thurſday laſt, of his watch and 7 s. 4 d. We hear from Kingſton, a mile from this place, that one John Smith, about 25 years of age, courted a young woman of the ſame place, and ſhe ſlighting him, he went into the fields, and ſtabb'd himſelf with a caſe knife in ſeveral places; ſo that he died on the ſpot. *P.*

Brighthelmſtone, Aug. 26. Laſt night there was ſuch a ſtorm of thunder, lightning, wind and rain, that the like has not been known for theſe many years; and the damage is ſo great, that it is not known. *P. D P.*

Laſt ſunday his Majeſty's ſhip the Experiment arrived at Portſmouth from the Weſt-Indies; 'tis reported, that ſhe has on board, for the Merchants of this City, 300,000 pieces of eight. *D P.*

On ſaturday laſt died at his houſe at Clapton, Henry Aſhton, Eſq; one of the Directors of the South Sea Company. *C.* John Aſhton. *P.* At his houſe at Hackney. *P. D J.* He was reputed worth 60,000 l. *D J.*

WEDNESDAY, *Sept.* 1.

Yeſterday his Royal Highneſs the Prince of Wales, being much recovered from his late indiſpoſition, ſaw company for the firſt time, and received the compliments from the ſeveral Nobility and Quality on that occaſion in the Drawing-room. *C.*

On Saturday laſt, died in Salisbury-Court, Fleet-ſtreet, Mr. Eaton, aged 107 Years. Till the laſt 3 or 4 Years, he enjoy'd all his Senſes and Limbs in great Perfection; but for 2 Years laſt has not been able to ſtir out, but has been fed and dreſs'd and undreſs'd like a child. *D J.*

Laſt week dy'd at his ſeat at Cranford in Northamptonſhire, Sir James Robinſon, Bar. Son of Sir John Robinſon, Bar. Lord Mayor of London, and Lieutenant of the Tower, who, for the eminent Services he did King Charles the 2d towards his Reſtoration, was advanced to the Dignity of a Baronet, and is ſucceeded in Dignity and Eſtate by his Son and Heir, now Sir John Robinſon, Bart. *D P.*

We hear the Town are much delighted with the Opera of the Emperor of China Grand-Volgi, at Mr. Fielding's Booth, &c. and 'tis allow'd, by the beſt judges, to be the moſt agreeable and diverting Entertainment in the whole fair. *P.* —— *Pray, who are theſe* beſt judges, *that prefer an outlandiſh, heatheniſh* Emperor, *to* Guy Earl of Warwick? *Good people, aſſembled in this famous* Fair, *mind the* Puffs *of* Paſtry-Cooks, *not thoſe of* Bookſellers: *the one you may* bite *yourſelves; but the other will* bite *you.*

From the PEGASUS *in Grub-ſtreet.*

SIR,

I Happen'd to get a ſight of the firſt ſheet of Dr. BENTLEY's *Milton*, which was communicated to ſeveral of his friends; and was particularly pleaſed with one of his emendations. I will tranſcribe the paſſage, and his note upon it. If you can't refuſe it, I hope you'll commend and applaud it. But I ſee you are no great friend to emendation Criticiſm. *Paradiſe Loſt.* B. i. v. 157.

Fall'n Cherub, to be weak *is miſerable,*
Doing, or ſuffering.

The Printer here has beſtow'd upon our Poet abſolute nonſenſe. *To be weak* is not by conſequence to be *miſerable.* Adam was *frail and weak,* even while he was happy in Paradiſe. But it's no anſwer to Belzebub's ſpeech. He complain'd not of weakneſs; on the contrary, he own'd, that vigour *was returned,* and their *ſtrength was undiminiſh'd:* but he doubted, what God's deſign was in placing them in Hell, whether they were to *work* for him, or merely *ſuffer* pain. To which Satan here ſhould anſwer, that either way, *working* or *ſuffering*, 'twas miſerable for them to *live in Hell.* The Author therefore gave it,

To be here *is miſerable,*

Or rather thus,

Fall'n Cherub, here to dwell *is miſerable.*

As B. ii 57. — And for their *dwelling place*
Accept this dark opprobrious den of ſhame.
v. 86. *What can be worſe than* to dwell here?
Aug. 26, 1731. Yours, PHILARCHÆUS.

Mr. DACTYL produced a Paper, intitled, *The Footman's Hue and Cry after the Univerſal Spectator,* with this Motto,

See clumſy Stonecaſtle *lay a claim to wit,*
From puzzled proſe in Footman's *diſpraiſe writ.*

The ſcurrility of the proſe was as remarkable, as that of the poetry: but the greateſt notice was taken of the greaſineſs of the Paper. Upon which Mr. DACTYL told us, that having ſent to a Paſtry-Cook's for a mutton pye, it was ſent him wrapp'd up in that Paper: which yielded him a double entertainment, in ſeeing the Works of an Enemy to one of our Members, put to ſo a mean uſe, and in ſpite of himſelf contributing to the ſupport of another.

The ſame Perſon preſented the following Copy of Verſes, which he receiv'd from a Friend; and which are publiſh'd, to ſhew how ſome of our Members retain their wit and humour under the loſs of their liberty; and that their Spirits can no more be confin'd, much leſs totally ſuppreſs'd, than the ſubject here celebrated.

An elderly Lady, whoſe bulky, ſquat figure,
By Hoop and white Damask was render'd much bigger,
One ſun-ſhiny day to the *Fleet* did repair,
To ſhew her fine Dreſs, 'mong the *Beaux of the Bare.*
Her mein and behaviour, ſo awkard and queer,
Caus'd much admiration, but 'twas with a ſneer.
At length the fly *Gibers* burſt into loud laughter;
Away waddled Madam — and they hurry'd after.
To recover her fan dropt in anger and haſte,
She ſtoop'd down, and let fly a loud peſtilent blaſt.
All ſtopp'd ſhort in ſurprize, not expecting behind
Such a poiſonous ſhaft of the Parthian kind.
EWELL open the door, cries out one of the Crowd:
Shut it cloſe; Lock it faſt; cries another more loud.
Says a third, Stop the key-hole, when away you have ſent her,
Leſt in fumes like the preſent, her ſprite ſhould re-enter.
Tho' the *Scent* ſtill remains, yet th: *Game* you can't follow:
She came in with a *Hoop,* and went out with a *Hollow.*

Dublin, Aug. 21. Yeſterday a Proclamation was publiſhed to prorogue the Parliament to tueſday, Octob. 5. when they are to ſit for the diſpatch of buſineſs. *D P.* — We hear from Gorey, in the County of Wexford, that as they were plucking beans this week on the lands of Buley alias Clough, part of the eſtate of Col. Abel Ram, they found a wonderful ſtalk, which had no leſs than 56 cods on it; 26 cods being the moſt that ever were ſeen before on one bean ſtalk, which is a great rarity, and ſcarce to be met with. *C* 30,

FOREIGN NEWS.

THURSDAY, *Aug.* 26.

Yeſterday arrived the Mail from France.

Paris, Sept. 1. N. S. The Academy of the Belles Lettres eſtabliſhed at Marſeilles in 1726, has given for ſubject of the prize of eloquence, which they are to deliver the wedneſday after Low ſunday 1732, that *Adverſity dejects none but thoſe whom proſperity has blinded;* according to thoſe words of Seneca, *Neminem adverſa fortuna comminuit, niſi quem ſecunda decepit. C. P. D J. Has blinded. D P.* —— On the 28th a Surgeon meeting one that was indebted to him, as he came from gaming, demanded his money: the Gameſter anſwered, that he had none; upon which the Surgeon caned him; the debtor then drew his ſword, and ran the Surgeon through, who died in a quarter of an hour. *C.* &c. —— *This* Surgeon *fell a Martyr to his own folly:* 1. *It was fooliſh to expect to be paid for the cure of claps, by a* Gameſter. 2. *Before he* demanded his money, *he ought to have* demanded, *whether he had won or loſt.* 3. *He ought to have believed the* Gameſter, (*if in nothing elſe*) *when he told him* he had none. 4. *He ought not to have* caned him, *ſince he did not deſign to* give him a plaiſter.

FRIDAY, *Aug.* 27.

Bruſſels, Aug. 27. On the 24th M. de Joinville, the French Miniſter at this Court, ſet out for Paris, to attend, as it is given out, only ſome private affairs of his own. The ſame day M. Menou de Charniſay, Grand Maſter of the Order of Malta, arrived here from France. Letters from Laxembourg make mention of ſeveral freſh bodies of French troops being arrived at Metz and Thionville. *D P.*

Florence, Aug. 11. The Major Gen. Marci-Medici, Governor of the Lunigiana, has ſent hither ſeveral antique copper medals, found in digging the earth within 8 leagues of Finizzano, with the effigies of the Emperor Probus, who reſided at Ravenna. *D P.*

Naples, Aug. 7. A Tartane has brought back the preſent which the Emperor made the Bey of Tunis, upon the late concluſion of the peace, who has refuſed to accept of it, ſaying, *It was a preſent not worthy of an Emperor. D P.* —— On the 26th paſt was celebrated the feaſt of S. Anne: and in the chapel of the palace of the Prince of Montemileto was expoſed the foot of S. Anne, which had been preſerved there, and which is ſaid to have been brought from Greece by the anceſtors of the ſaid Prince. *D J.*

SATURDAY, *Aug.* 28.

Paris, Aug. 24. N. S. According to a liſt newly taken, there are in this City about 4500 domeſticks in furniſhed lodgings, but out of place; beſides thoſe who have chambers of their own. — We ſee here a letter written by the D. de Chatillon to the Princeſs d'Auvergne, giving an account of the miraculous cure of a young Savoyard, about 16 years of age, who was lame of a leg and arm from his childhood, and was healed upon Abbot Paris's grave. That youth is ſon to a domeſtick of the Duke's, who has hitherto maintain'd him out of pity, becauſe he was lame. *C.*

Yeſterday arrived the Mail from Holland.

Schaffhauſen, Aug. 25. N. S. They write from Coire, that all the Proteſtants of the Valteline and Chiavene had at laſt abandoned their country, upon the repeated orders given by the Chiefs of the Leagues, at the inſtances of the Emperor's Miniſter, purſuant to the capitulation of the Milaneze. *C*

Frankfort, Aug. 28. Letters from Italy adviſe, that the Imperial auxiliaries, which lately ſailed from Genoa to Corſica, being landed there, a detachment of 1200 of them joined ſome troops of the Republick, and immediately raiſed the ſiege of Baſtia, the rebels having left four pieces of cannon and all their ammunition behind them. *P.* &c.

Moſcow, Aug. 3. N. S. An expreſs is arrived from Derbent, diſpatched by Gen. Lewaſchau, with the following advices. Schach Thamas, Sophi of Perſia, being reinforced to 140,000 men, having received intelligence, that the ſuccours ſent by the Porte, conſiſting of 50,000 men, moſt horſe, to raiſe the ſiege of Erivan, were come within 20 leagues of that place, left a ſufficient number of troops to carry on the ſiege, and to keep at bay the Turks entrench'd there, and marched with the reſt to meet the new Ottoman army, which he attacked with ſo much vigour, that after a bloody fight, the Turks already fatigued with their long march, were obliged to retire in diſorder, with the loſs of above 16,000 men killed upon the ſpot, beſides 20 pieces of cannon, and all their baggage. The battle laſted till night, which was the reaſon the Perſians took but 2000 priſoners. *P.* &c.

MONDAY, *Aug.* 30.

Extract of a private Letter from Baden. —— The Deputies of the Swiſs Cantons received a memorial from the Marq. de Bonac, Ambaſſador of his moſt Chriſtian Majeſty, to which they anſwered, that they could not conſent to renew the Alliance, but on the following terms, 1. That it ſhall be conformable to the firſt Treaty of 15 6, whereby all their ſubjects were deemed natives, or to have the ſame right as the ſubjects of his moſt Chriſtian Majeſty. 2. That Proteſtants in his ſervice ſhall not be obliged to do any thing contrary to their religion, eſpecially with regard to the civilities to be paid to the

Hoſt. 3. That the particular Treaties made with the Catholick Cantons ſhall be annulled. *P.*

Yeſterday arrived the Mail from France.

Paris, Sept. 5. N. S. On the 30th, 10 Advocates of the Parliament received each a *Lettre de cachet*, whereby they were baniſhed to the following places, &c. *P.* —— Monſieur Rouſſelet, *one of them, is called by my Brother* Ancient Batonnier; *an office, of which I ſhould be glad to know the meaning.*

Vienna, Aug. 22 'Tis ſaid that Card. Althan has taken upon him the order of a Capuchin Fryer, for which purpoſe he has lately built him a fine hermitage or cell, near Weitzen. *D J.*

Moſcow, Aug. 1. Divers magnificent palaces are to be built here, in the German Suburbs, where will be lodged all the Ambaſſadors of foreign Princes, both ordinary and extraordinary, and they have begun already to demoliſh the little cottages there, to make room. *D J.*

TUESDAY, *Aug.* 31.

Paris, Aug. 24. N. S. On thurſday laſt Mademoiſelle de Charolois, Princeſs of the Blood, and the Dutcheſs-Dowager of Bouillon, went to Abbot Paris's grave, when Mademoiſelle de Clermont, Siſter to Mad. de Charolois, was thought to lie a dying; and ſhe is now much better. On friday the Princeſs of Conti, who is blind, went about 5 in the afternoon with 3 coaches and 6, to the Church of S. Medard; where having peform'd her devotions, ſhe went into the Church-yard, and kneeling down, laid her hands upon the Abbot's grave. Her Almoner kneel'd at her left hand, and rehears'd the 7 penitential Pſalms, to all which her Highneſs made regular reſponſes. This act of devotion took up 3 quarters of an hour in the ſight of a great multitude of people, who prayed aloud, that her Highneſs might recover her eye ſight. *C.* —— *This was doubly a* blind Devotion. *May they all* recover their ſight!

Amſterdam, Sept. 7. It is confirm'd from Baſtia, of the 16th paſt, that 800 Genoeſe, ſupported by the Imperial auxiliaries, attacked the 10th the poſts which the rebels had poſſeſſed near that Capital; and after ſome reſiſtance, obliged them to retire in confuſion to the mountains, killing about 400, with the loſs of 3 ſoldiers only, and the rebels left behind them 4 braſs cannon, 10 barrels of powder, and other ammunition; about 50 were taken priſoners, among 'em a Capuchin, one of their chief preachers. Afterwards 700 Germans took the town of Cardo, ſeized a great quantity of proviſions there, and then ſet it on fire; and on the 15th another body of 2000 Germans attack'd 7000 rebels near Foriano, and after a fight of ſome hours, obliged them to quit the field; and the ſame day they took poſſeſſion of that City. —— The Prince of Naſſau Orange was inſtalled at Leuwarde the 4th inſt. Stadholder, and Captain General of the Province of Friezland. *D J. D P.*

This day arrived a Mail from Flanders.

Berlin, Sept. 2. His Pruſſian Majeſty has given orders that all foreigners, who are artificers, ſhall have the liberty of ſettling in any town of the Pruſſian dominions, franchiſed of all duties whatſoever for 12 years, and farther encouragement according to the ſufficiency of their merits and induſtry. *S J.*

Letters from Parma ſay, that the Dutcheſs Dowager had ſome tokens of her delivery on the 18th paſt, but that it was the opinion ſhe would ſcarcely be deliver'd theſe three weeks, for which great preparations were making. 'Tis added, that above 20 perſons of diſtinction of foreign nations were come thither to aſſiſt at her lying in. *Ibid.* — *Theſe* perſons of diſtinction, *I ſuppoſe, will* aſſiſt at the Dutcheſs's lying in, *as, my Brethren frequently tell us, the Foreign Ladies* aſſiſt at Maſs.

WEDNESDAY, *Sept.* 1.

Venice, Aug. 25. N. S. We have now received poſitive advice, that the hopes of the Ducheſs Dowager of Parma's pregnancy are entirely vaniſhed; and that the ſwelling of her body is attributed to a growing Dropſy. *P.*

Seville, Aug. 23. N. S. Yeſterday in the evening Sir Charles Wager, after having ſettled with the Spaniſh Miniſters the points relating to the expedition to Italy, and taken his audience of leave of their Catholick Majeſties, and all the Royal Family, ſet out from hence for Cadiz. His Excellency M. Patinho, in company with Mr. Keene, his Britannick Majeſty's Miniſter Plenipotentiary, is to follow to morrow night, upon an invitation given them from the Admiral to dine with him on board the Namure, before the departure for Gibraltar, which is fixed for monday next, the 27th inſt. N. S. from whence after having taken on board the two batallions to be detached from that garriſon, being his Britannick Majeſty's quota of land forces, to attend the expedition, he is to proceed to Barcelona, to join the Spaniſh ſquadron. *D J. D P.*

Hague, Sept. 3. N. S. The States of Guelderland and Groningen having been aſſembled within theſe few days, have tranſmitted hither their conſent and concurrence to the reſolution to the States of Holland, relating to the Treaty of Vienna. The States of Utrecht being to aſſemble this week, 'tis not doubted but their Deputies here will be authorized in the ſame manner. The States of Holland are ſummoned to meet next wedneſday. *C. P.*

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